



NEWEST FACILITY . . . Facilities for some 600 music students will be provided at El Camino College this fall with the opening of the new addition to the college's Music Center. Some general classrooms also are included in the 48,000-square-foot structure. Added to the existing Campus Theater and music building, the tri-level structure includes facilities for drama and speech departments.

Good Study Habits Can Improve Grades

(Education News Service) Far too many students fail to function at anything close to their maximum ability because they don't know how to study and use their time effectively.

The California Teachers Association (CTA) offers a series of steps students can take to improve their learning ability:

- Establish a quiet place to study at home.
- Obtain essential equipment for study.
- Follow a recommended system for better learning when reading class assignments.
- Keep your mind on your work when studying by following a few simple rules aiding concentration.

A time schedule is necessary, the CTA said, because it is the best way a student can plan his time carefully. In preparing a schedule the pupil should first figure out how much of his time is not now taken up with "musts" like eating, sleeping, and school. Most youngsters will find that they have six hours a day left for homework, chores, and recreation. These activities should be worked into the pupil's time chart. When completed, the schedule should leave plenty of time for both play and homework. Once the schedule is completed, it should be followed most of the time.

A GOOD study spot at home should be a place the pupil connects with study, not with play. It should be apart from

Safety on School Bus Important

As the nation's students return to school, it is important that every young school bus rider realizes he must be responsible for his own safety and that of others on the bus. According to "Safety On Our School Bus," a film produced for classroom use by Encyclopaedia Britannica Films, Inc., youngsters should be taught these good safety practices:

- Line up in an orderly manner and board the bus in single file; fill back seats first.
- Be sure the aisles are clear so nobody will stumble.
- Stay in your seat while the bus is moving.
- Don't put anything (including your head or hands) out of the window.
- Don't play with the emergency door.
- Don't talk to the driver while the bus is moving.
- Ride quietly without scuffling or horseplay.

The film illustrates each of these rules by picturing and relating the story of a popular bus driver and his riders who have maintained an excellent safety record. It also depicts the proper way to get off a bus and to cross a street.

tempting diversions: television, radio, family talk, and telephone. The desk or table should have a study lamp which creates neither glare nor dark spots. Only materials needed for study should be on the desk. All distractions should be elsewhere.

The basic required working tools at home should be obvious—sharp pencils, paper, a pen, a ruler, and a dictionary.

Following an effective system for getting a maximum return for time spent reading class assignments requires discipline. The system should include the following:

- Read the complete lesson. Take special notes of headings and topic sentences.
- Read the lesson a second time. Study difficult parts until you understand what the author is saying. Look up all words you don't know. Follow all directions given by the book. Check maps and charts as they are mentioned in the text.
- Answer all questions listed by the teacher. If no questions have been suggested, make up some of your own. When you have finished reading, write the answers without looking them up in the book. Then check your answers with the book, correcting any errors. Do this for each section in the assignment.
- When the entire reading assignment has been completed, close the book and cover the answers to your questions. Then answer them one at a time.

Look up all questions you can't answer. . . . CONCENTRATION during homework periods is essential to effective learning. Here are a few suggestions to keep your mind from wandering:

- Study at your desk or table and avoid distractions.
- Have all necessary materials at hand when you sit

down to study. It is impossible to concentrate if one keeps getting up and wandering around the room or the house.

• Place a time limit on the work you have started and try to finish within that time. But don't sacrifice accuracy for speed.

Work on the most difficult part of the lesson first.

• After you have studied for 30 minutes, give yourself a time out period of three minutes. Then go back to work.

By following these simple tips, the CTA said, pupils will learn more — and they will be better prepared to use what they've learned.

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New Music Building Ready South Bay Adult School Slates Enrollment Days

Built at a cost of approximately \$900,000, a new addition to the music building will be ready for use at El Camino College by the opening of the fall semester, Sept. 12.

Incorporating an area of approximately 48,000 square feet, the building has been added to the north side of the present music and Campus Theatre buildings and faces the inner quad area of the campus.

The modern three-level, multi-purpose building will be able to accommodate more than 600 students.

The facility will be shared by the music, speech, math and business departments. The lower level includes a

large room containing 175 permanent seats which can be used as a lecture hall or little theater. It may also be divided into two individual classrooms.

Slated for the second level is the Fine Arts Division office, a choral room, three classrooms for general use and numerous faculty offices.

Four speech classrooms equipped with individual student tape recorders, a large music room and two additional general purpose classrooms will be located on the third level.

Scattered throughout the structure are several music practice rooms.

During 1965-66, the Los Angeles County Heart Association Speakers Bureau presented 340 programs with an audience of 20,400. Projected figures for 1966-67 are 400 programs with an audience of 24,000.

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Prices Up In School Cafeterias

Cafeterias will be open at all Torrance schools when classes resume Wednesday, Sept. 14. But prices will be up a nickel on many items due to the withdrawal of government subsidies, according to John Blandy, director of food services.

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Fall Look

The Fall '66 Look will be featured in a free Back-to-School Fashion Show tomorrow at Unimart Manhattan Beach. The show, to be staged at 4 p.m., will be narrated by Sid Koss.

"You will see what's in, what's new, and what's cool," Miss Jeanne Blackburn, Unimart fashion show coordinator, said. "The show is strictly Back-to-School, from the latest in crazy-mixed-up classics for the college-in-crowd to miniature versions for the playground set."

Unimart fashion buyers have collected the latest looks of fashion, Miss Blackburn said, "and our quality buying brings them to you at budget prices."

STRESS ON GUIDANCE

Although the fastest growing education specialty in California's elementary and secondary schools is the job of counselor, the present counselor-student ratio of 841 to 1 still falls far short of the recommended ratio of 300 to 1.

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